The IU Richard M. Fairbanks School of Public Health has partnered with the IU McKinney School of Law to offer two educational programs that combine a JD degree with training in public health and health administration.

The JD-MHA/MPH prepares attorneys who want to make a vital difference in the practice of health law. Graduates are prepared to work as general counsels of hospitals, at the policy-making level and at all levels of government, as well as in work for private companies. Either program can be completed concurrently with your law education, giving you expanded career options upon graduation and throughout your career.

**Why Add Public Health or Health Administration to Your Education?**
With a Master of Health Administration (MHA) or a Master of Public Health (MPH), you are more marketable for a wide variety of careers, including health law, biomedical ethics, public policy issues and health administration. A joint degree provides interdisciplinary training that allows you to bridge the gap between two fields and find solutions to complex problems.

**About Our Programs**
Both joint degree programs are designed to be completed in four years. The MHA program is the only CAHME-accredited program in Indiana. The MPH program is accredited by CEPH.

**JD-MHA (Master of Health Administration)**
The JD-MHA degree addresses the need for professionals who understand the legal and administrative frameworks necessary to function successfully as health lawyers or health services administrators. The program consists of 42 credit hours of required courses, with three credit hours of research in health administration which is completed in the last year of the combined program and jointly supervised by advisors from both schools.

**JD-MPH (Master of Public Health)**
The innovative curriculum addresses key issues driving public health practice and policy today, including infectious disease control, injury control, and chronic disease prevention and health promotion. The program consists of 30 credit hours of required courses, three credit hours of electives, and six credit hours of practical experience. For convenience and flexibility, the MPH offers both online and in-person degree options. Experiential components provide opportunities to apply learning in projects and research that directly impact the health of communities. Projects can be undertaken anywhere in Indiana and through IU global health partnerships.
ELIZABETH WALKER, JD, MHA  
ECG Management Consultants, Inc.  
Senior Manager

“I’ve always been interested in the healthcare industry. I was accepted to graduate school and intended to begin my studies after a ‘year off’ at law school. I found myself very much at home in the study of the law and stumbled upon the MHA program as I sought ways to broaden my healthcare knowledge. The quality of instructors in Indianapolis is hard to beat. I had a wide range of teachers, including a health system CEO and Hall Render attorney. Another benefit of the Indianapolis location is the opportunity to try out meaningful internships. I took advantage of every healthcare-related internship the law school had to offer.

“The MHA credential is meaningful in the healthcare field. When I meet with hospital CEOs, I stand out – the MHA degree indicates to other healthcare professionals that I am dedicated to improving our healthcare community. Having an MHA degree in addition to my JD was crucial to becoming a hospital vice president at age 28.

“The investment you make now to obtain these degrees will pay huge dividends for the rest of your life. Having a JD and MHA has given me tremendous flexibility and opportunity as I have progressed in my career. The foundation this education has provided has prepared me well to handle whatever changes this disruptive healthcare landscape presents now and in the future.”

The JD-MHA is, and will remain, an extremely valuable asset within an ever-changing healthcare market. The program provides a great blend of both administrative and legal thinking.

Zach Hudson  
JD-MHA Alumnus

Through the courses I’ve taken, I know I’m meant to be a public health lawyer. I want to analyze the way in which law is used as a tool to promote public health initiatives. The JD-MPH program supports the connection between these two disciplines and creates public health advocates prepared to improve quality of life.

Marcella Gregory  
JD-MPH Alumnus

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